

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
CRIMINAL APPELLATE JURISDICTION
CRIMINAL APPLICATION NO.4931 OF 2004
IN
CRIMINAL APPEAL NO.1078 OF 2004

Mahesh Mahadev Lokhande ...Applicant.

V/s

The State of Maharashtra ...Respondent.

Mr. S.M. Deshpande for the applicant.

Mr. A.M. Shringarpure, APP for the respondent - State.

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CORAM: V.M.KANADE,J.
DATE: 30th November, 2004

P.C.

1. Heard the learned Counsel appearing on behalf of the applicant and the learned APP for the respondent - State.

2. Applicant is convicted under section 395 read with section 397 of the Indian Penal Code and sentenced to undergo R.I. for a period of seven years. Applicant is in jail since 28/01/2001 and has already undergone four years of sentence. Appeal is not likely to come up for hearing for some time. Accused Nos.3 and 4 have been released on bail by this Court. Applicant, in my view, therefore, under these circumstances, is entitled to be released on bail.

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3. Applicant to be released on bail in the sum of Rs 5000/- with one or two sureties in the like amount.

He shall report to V.P. Road Police Station once in a month.

V.M. KANADE, J.